

Amendments to the Claims

Please amend the Claims as follows:

1. (canceled)

2. (previously submitted) Apparatus for the production of extruded blown tubular cellulose film from a solution of cellulose, water and an amine-oxide, which comprises

- extrusion means for continuously extruding a cellulose solution to produce a blown tubular cellulose film;

- precipitation means for solidifying the extruded cellulose film;

- draw means positioned downstream of the extrusion means for continuously drawing the extruded cellulose film from the extrusion means; and

- a tubular member for containing precipitation means and for receiving the extruded blown tubular film wherein the tubular member is situated within a precipitation bath.

3-7 (canceled)

8. (previously submitted) The apparatus of claim 2 wherein the tubular member acts as a guide for the tubular cellulose film.

9. (canceled)

10. (new) Apparatus for the production of extruded blown cellulose film from a solution of cellulose, water and amine-oxide, which comprises:

a) an extruder for continuously extruding a cellulose solution;

b) means for blowing the extruded solution into a an extruded blown cellulose film;

c) a precipitation bath containing precipitation means for precipitating the extruded cellulose solution to produce a solidified cellulose film;

d) means positioned downstream from the extruder for continuously drawing the extruded cellulose film from the extrusion means; and

e) a tubular member for containing the precipitation means and for receiving the extruded blown film wherein the tubular member is situated within the precipitation bath and acts as a guide for the extruded blown film and protects the extruded blown film from disturbances in the precipitation means thereby improving uniformity in the extruded blown cellulose film.